By the King.

A Proclamation for the better direction of those who desire to repaire to the Court, for the Cure of their disease, called, *The Kings Euill.*

WHereas by the grace and blessing of God, the Kings and Queenes of this Realme by many ages past, haue had the happinesse by their sacred Touch, and inuocation of the Name of God, to cure those who are afflicted with the disease called, The Kings Euill: And his now most Excellent Maiestie, in no lesse measure then any of his Royall Predecessors, hath had good successe herein, & in His most gracious and pious disposition, is as ready and willing as any King or Queene of this Realme euer was, in any thing to relieue the distresses and necessitie of his good Subiects, yet in his Princely Wisedome foreseeing, that in this (as in all other things) order is to be obserued, and fit times are necessarily to be appointed, for performing of this great Worke of charity: His most Excellent Maiestie doeth hereby publish and declare his Royall Will and pleasure to bee, as formerly his Maiesty did by the like Proclamation published in April last; That Whereas heretofore the vsuall times of presenting such persons to his Maiestie for this purpose, were Easter and Whitsuntide, That from henceforth the times shall bee Easter and Michaelmas, as times more conuenient, both for the temperature of the season, and in respect of any contagion which may happen in this neere accesse to his Maiesties Sacred person; And his Maiestie doth accordingly Will and command, that from the time of publishing this Proclamation, none presume to repaire to his Maiesties Royall Court to be healed of that disease, before the Feast of S. Michael now next comming, The danger being now visible to haue any concourse of people in this Spring or Summer time to haue resort to this Citie of London, the place of His vsuall accesse, or to his Court or Royall Person.

And his Maiestie doth further Will and command, that all such as hereafter shall come or repaire to the Court for this purpose, shall bring with them Certificates vnder the hands of the Parson, Vicar, or Minister, and Churchwardens of those seuerall Parishes where they dwell, and from whence they come, testifying according to the trueth, that they haue not any time before been touched by the King, to the intent to be healed of that disease.

And his Maiesty doeth straitly charge all Iustices of the Peace, Constables, and other Officers, That they doe not suffer any to passe, but such as haue such Certificates, vpon paine of his Maiesties displeasure.

And, to the end that all his louing Subiects may the better take knowledge of this his Maiesties pleasure and command, his Will is, That this Proclamation be published and affixed in some open place in euery market Towne of this Realme; All which his Maiestie hauing by former Proclamations, vpon the like occasion published and commanded, He doth now againe command strictly to be obserued, by all and euery person and persons whom it shall or may concerne, vpon such paines and penalties as may be inflicted vpon them for the neglect thereof.

Giuen at Our Court at Whitehall, the fiue and twentieth day of March, in the sixt yeere of Our Reigne.

God saue the King.

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